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## News Release

### **Flu Vaccine Availability**

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Central District Health Department received a second shipment of influenza vaccine (1,100 doses) yesterday, November 15, 2000. We have been told that we can expect more vaccine to be shipped according to the following schedule:

November 20 <sup>th</sup>	710 doses
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	580 doses
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	700 doses
December 11 <sup>th</sup>	360 doses
December 18 <sup>th</sup>	570 doses
December 25 <sup>th</sup>	4190 doses

We are currently scheduling clinics for high-risk individuals in all four counties (Ada, Boise, Elmore and Valley) at various sites such as senior centers, retirement centers, etc. Vaccine is available for high-risk individuals at these sites and all other CDHD clinic sites. Once the clinics for high-risk persons have been completed, remaining vaccine will be made available to the general public.

### **Persons at High Risk are:**

- Adults 65 years of age or older.
- Children 6 months of age or older **who have a serious illness** like lung or kidney disease, anemia or other blood disorders, asthma, heart disease, or immune system problems such as HIV or diabetes, currently undergoing cancer treatment with drug therapy or radiation.
- Children or teenagers taking aspirin daily (they are susceptible to Reye's syndrome if they become infected with the flu).
- Women 4 to 9 months pregnant.
- Care givers for any of the above groups.

For more information on influenza log on to [www.cdhd.org](http://www.cdhd.org).

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